# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

JUDY ENDERS/MADEN, v.	Plaintiff,	)	C.A. No. 05-00669-SLR
SUPER FRESH,		)	
	Defendant	)	

# DEFENDANT'S ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

Defendant, Super Fresh Food Market, Inc. (incorrectly referred to in the *Pro Se* Complaint as "Super Fresh" and hereinafter "Defendant"), by its attorneys, answer the Complaint ("Complaint") of Plaintiff Judy Enders/Maden ("Plaintiff"), as follows:

- 1. Paragraph 1 of the Complaint contains Plaintiff's description of this action, to which no response is required. To the extent a response was required, Defendant denies that there is any basis in fact or law for the claims asserted.
- Defendant lacks sufficient knowledge or information to admit or deny the allegation contained in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.
- 3. Defendant denies the allegations as stated in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint, except admits that it has a store in New Castle, Delaware.
- 4. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint.
- 5. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint.
- 6. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 6 of the Complaint.

- 7. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint, except admits that Plaintiff filed an administrative charge.
- 8. Defendant denies the allegation contained in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint, except admits that Plaintiff filed a charge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission of the United States.
- 9. Defendant lacks sufficient knowledge or information to admit or deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint, except admits that the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission issued a Notice of Right to Sue letter dated June 27, 2005.
- 10. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.
- Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 11 of the Complaint.
- Paragraph 12 of the Complaint contains a statement, to which no response is required. To the extent a response was required, Defendant denies that there is any basis in fact or law for the claims asserted.
- Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint.
- 14. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 14 of the Complaint.

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# SEPARATE AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

### FIRST DEFENSE

The Complaint, in whole or in part, fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

# SECOND DEFENSE

There is no legal or factual basis for the claims asserted against the Defendant.

#### THIRD DEFENSE

Plaintiff failed to act with reasonable care to take advantage of the preventive and corrective opportunities provided by Defendant regarding alleged unlawful workplace discrimination and/or harassment and to otherwise prevent harm that could have been avoided.

#### FOURTH DEFENSE

All actions undertaken with respect to Plaintiff were non-discriminatory, based on sound business judgment, neither arbitrary nor capricious and were undertaken in good faith and compliance with all applicable laws.

#### FIFTH DEFENSE

Upon information and belief, Plaintiff is barred from relief due to her failure to mitigate damages.

#### SIXTH DEFENSE

Plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, by her failure to exhaust administrative remedies.

## SEVENTH DEFENSE

Plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, by the applicable statute of limitations

WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully requests that this Court enter a judgment:

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- Dismissing the Complaint, with prejudice; 1
- Directing Plaintiff to pay Defendant for all costs, fees and disbursements, 2. including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this proceeding with prejudgment interest; and
- Awarding such other and further relief as this Court deems just and 3. proper.

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